

Message Text

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 01 STATE 124206
ORIGIN IO-06

INFO OCT-01 ISO-00 /007 R

66011
DRAFTED BY IO/HDC:EDDIE EDWARDS
APPROVED BY IO/SA:E.MICHAHL
-----115518 161912Z /72
O 161831Z MAY 78
FM SECSTATE WASHDC
INFO AMEMBASSY MEXICO IMMEDIATE 3765

C O N F I D E N T I A L STATE 124206

LIMDIS

FOLLOWING REPEAT GENEVA 7390 ACTION SECSTATE MAY 12.

QUOTE C O N F I D E N T I A L GENEVA 07390

LIMDIS

IO - FOR ASST SECY MAYNES; NEA - FOR ASST SECY SAUNDERS
FROM CHARGE SORENSON

PLEASE PASS HEW - SECRETARY CALIFANO ONLY

E.O. 11652: GDS
TAGS: PINR, WHO
SUBJECT: WHO - MISSION STRATEGY WITH RESPECT TO THE
DRAFT ARAB RESOLUTION ON ISRAEL

REFERENCE: A. GENEVA 7238; B. GENEVA 7389

1. WITH RESPECT TO REF B, THE ISRAELI AMBASSADOR HAS
EXPRESSED ISRAELI CONCERN OVER THE FOLLOWING POINTS:

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 02 STATE 124206

A. IN THE PREAMBULATORY SECTION, PARAGRAPH A 3, IT IS
RECOMMENDED THAT THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE BE MADE A PERMANENT
FIXTURE IN EFFECT WHICH WOULD CONTINUOUSLY MONITOR HEALTH
CONDITIONS IN THE OCCUPIED TERRITORIES.

B. PARAGRAPH B 1 ASKS THE DIRECTOR GENERAL TO COLLABO-
RATE WITH THE PLO IN ORDER TO BRING NECESSARY HELP TO THE

PALESTINIAN PEOPLE.

C. B 3 REFERS TO ARAB ORGANIZATIONS SET UP IN THE OCCUPIED TERRITORIES THROUGH WHICH THE DIRECTOR GENERAL IS CALLED TO CHANNEL RESOURCES IN ORDER TO MAKE GOOD THE INSUFFICIENCY OF HEALTH SERVICES AND TO DO THIS WITHOUT INTERVENTION OF THE ISRAELI AUTHORITIES.

D. ALL OF SECTION C WHICH THE ISRAELIS FEEL WITH JUSTIFICATION HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH THE REPORT BY THE COMMITTEE OF EXPERTS AND IS A COMPLETELY UNJUSTIFIED POLITICAL ATTACK. IN PARTICULAR, THOUGH, HOWEVER, THEY ARE CONCERNED WITH THE EFFORT TO USE THE WHO AS A VEHICLE TO ATTACK THE QUESTION OF ISRAELI COLONIES IN THE OCCUPIED TERRITORIES. ABOVE ALL, THEY ARE CONCERNED WITH PARAGRAPH C 5 WHICH CONTEMPLATES THE POSSIBLE APPLICATION OF MEASURES PROVIDED FOR BY THE CONSTITUTION -- A NOT SO VEILED REFERENCE TO ARTICLE 7.

2. AS ALREADY REPORTED BY THE MISSION, THE ARAB THEMSELVES ARE SPLIT ON HOW TO HANDLE THE COMMITTEE OF EXPERTS REPORT TO THE WHA. THE DANGER, OF COURSE, IS THAT IF THE ARAB RADICALS CAN GET THE OAU TO AGREE INITIALLY TO ACCEPT THE LANGUAGE OF THIS RESOLUTION, IT THEN PUTS TREMENDOUS PRESSURE ON THE REST OF THE G-77 TO FALL IN LINE IN ORDER TO MAINTAIN THEIR POLITICAL COHESION. HOPEFULLY, THE ARAB

CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 03 STATE 124206

MODERATES WILL CONTINUE TO MAKE THEIR INFLUENCE FELT, BUT THE FINAL DANGER IS THAT, ONCE A RESOLUTION LIKE THIS GETS TO THE FLOOR OF THE ASSEMBLY, THE OUTCOME IS UNPREDICTABLE.

3. THE MISSION HAS SO FAR UNDERTAKEN THE FOLLOWING STEPS:

A. WE ARE GETTING IN TOUCH WITH KEY GROUP B COUNTRIES AND REQUESTING THEM TO JOIN US IN EXPRESSING IN AN APPROPRIATE WAY OUR CONCERN THAT NOTHING BE DONE WHICH WOULD TEND TO POLITICIZE THE WHO, PARTICULARLY WE ALL PLAN TO EMPHASIZE THAT THE SPECIAL COMMITTEE OF EXPERTS HAS VISITED THE OCCUPIED TERRITORIES, HAS PREPARED ITS REPORT, AND THAT WE HOPE THAT THE ASSEMBLY CAN ACCEPT IT, TAKE NOTE OF IT, PERHAPS EVEN COMMENT ON IT, BUT THAT IT WILL ULTIMATELY TURN BACK TO THE DIRECTOR GENERAL THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR FOLLOWING HEALTH CONDITIONS IN ISRAEL. THIS VIEW, IN FACT, CONFORMS TO THAT OF THE DIRECTOR GENERAL.

B. MEMBERS OF THE DELEGATION WILL, IN ADDITION, APPROACH THE FOLLOWING AFRICAN COUNTRIES TO MAKE DIRECTLY THE SAME POINT AND EXPRESS MORE DEFINITELY OUR CONCERN THAT ANY RESOLUTION WHICH RESULTS IN THE INVOCATION OF ARTICLE 7

WOULD BE UNACCEPTABLE TO US: SOMALIA, LIBERIA, ZAIRE,
SWAZILAND-BOTSWANA, KENYA, SENEGAL, NIGERIA, IVORY COAST,
AND MAURITANIA.

C. I, ACCOMPANIED BY APPROPRIATE MEMBERS OF THE DELE-
GATION WILL, IF POSSIBLE, CALL ON DR. MAHLER, SATURDAY,
MAY 13, TO DISCUSS THE ARAB RESOLUTION WITH HIM AND GET
HIS VIEWS ON HOW BEST TO MOVE, USING RESOURCES AVAILABLE
TO THE SECRETARIAT IN ORDER TO COUNTER ITS PERNICIOUS
EFFECTS.

4. IN THE MEANTIME, THE DEPARTMENT MAY WISH TO CONSIDER
THE APPROPRIATENESS OF SENDING TELEGRAMS TO THE CAPITALS
OF THE ABOVE MENTIONED AFRICAN STATES, AS WELL AS OTHER
CONFIDENTIAL

CONFIDENTIAL

PAGE 04 STATE 124206

KEY G-77 CAPITALS. WE SEE A DANGER HERE, HOWEVER, IN
OVER-REACTING AND UNNECESSARILY USING UP MUCH OF THE GOOD
WILL THAT WAS CREATED BY THE VISIT OF SECRETARY CALIFANO
AND THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE ON INTERNATIONAL HEALTH.

5. MISSION WILL CONTINUE TO FOLLOW THIS ISSUE WITH CARE.
SORENSEN UNQUOTE VANCE

CONFIDENTIAL

NNN

Message Attributes

Automatic Decaptioning: Z
Capture Date: 01 jan 1994
Channel Indicators: n/a
Current Classification: UNCLASSIFIED
Concepts: ARABS, POLICIES, RESOLUTIONS
Control Number: n/a
Copy: SINGLE
Draft Date: 16 may 1978
Decaption Date: 20 Mar 2014
Decaption Note: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Action: RELEASED
Disposition Approved on Date:
Disposition Case Number: n/a
Disposition Comment: 25 YEAR REVIEW
Disposition Date: 20 Mar 2014
Disposition Event:
Disposition History: n/a
Disposition Reason:
Disposition Remarks:
Document Number: 1978STATE124206
Document Source: CORE
Document Unique ID: 00
Drafter: EDDIE EDWARDS
Enclosure: n/a
Executive Order: GS
Errors: N/A
Expiration:
Film Number: D780206-1178
Format: TEL
From: STATE
Handling Restrictions:
Image Path:
ISecure: 1
Legacy Key: link1978/newtext/t19780553/aaaabsqwq.tel
Line Count: 143
Litigation Code IDs:
Litigation Codes:
Litigation History:
Locator: TEXT ON-LINE, ON MICROFILM
Message ID: a8413e9c-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Office: ORIGIN IO
Original Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Original Handling Restrictions: ONLY, LIMDIS
Original Previous Classification: n/a
Original Previous Handling Restrictions: n/a
Page Count: 3
Previous Channel Indicators: n/a
Previous Classification: CONFIDENTIAL
Previous Handling Restrictions: ONLY, LIMDIS
Reference: 78 GENEVA 7238, 78 GENEVA 7389
Retention: 0
Review Action: RELEASED, APPROVED
Review Content Flags:
Review Date: 19 may 2005
Review Event:
Review Exemptions: n/a
Review Media Identifier:
Review Release Date: n/a
Review Release Event: n/a
Review Transfer Date:
Review Withdrawn Fields: n/a
SAS ID: 2675824
Secure: OPEN
Status: NATIVE
Subject: WHO - MISSION STRATEGY WITH RESPECT TO THE DRAFT ARAB RESOLUTION ON ISRAEL
TAGS: PINR, PORG, SWEL, IS, US, WHO
To: MEXICO
Type: TE
vdkgvwkey: odb://SAS/SAS.dbo.SAS_Docs/a8413e9c-c288-dd11-92da-001cc4696bcc
Review Markings:
Sheryl P. Walter
Declassified/Released
US Department of State
EO Systematic Review
20 Mar 2014
Markings: Sheryl P. Walter Declassified/Released US Department of State EO Systematic Review 20 Mar 2014